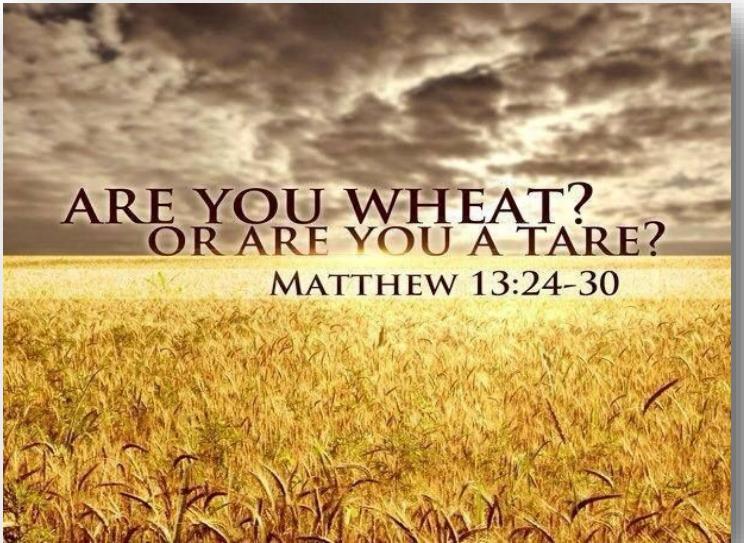




# Our Lady of Peace Parish

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 23, 2017 #35/2016-2017



## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Weekend Mass:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

## ROSARY

20 Minutes before our Weekend Masses

## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION –

Resumes in September

## RECONCILIATION:

Saturday's: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday's: 8:30 a.m.



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## Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Parish!

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish community. We are happy to assist you at our Information Desk before or after Mass. Here you can register at our parish, notify us of change of address, sign up for collection envelopes, get a Mass Card, notify the office of someone in the parish who needs prayers or a need that you may have. Someone will be at this table at least 15 minutes prior to Mass, and after as well.

## ANointing of the Sick:

- Call the Parish Office if you need anointing at home or in the hospital.
- Anointing of the Sick will also be offered communally during weekend Masses. Check bulletin for upcoming anointing schedules.

## Baptism:

- Baptism classes begin in the fall, please call the office for information.

## Marriage:

- Please contact the pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date to begin the necessary preparations.

- RCIA/RCIC: Begins in the Fall- Call the Parish Office to Register.

## Stewardship Reflection

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." - Matthew 13:24, 37-38 As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

## Ask Fr. James,

### Please explain: "God will never give us more than we can handle"

The commonest question in the face of suffering and pain is: Why does God allow suffering in the world? God does not cause suffering. However, tragedies, large and small, sudden or chronic, interrupt the flow of our lives and cause us suffering occasionally. A number of studies have shown that people who are more religious do better than those who are less religious in times of crisis and suffering.

Our Christian and Catholic understanding of suffering is that God is the Crucified God; a God who literally suffers with us. God suffered on the cross thereby identifying with the suffering of the whole world. This understanding is called "theology of the cross." "God loves the world, God suffers where creatures suffer." The core of this doctrine explains that; to say that God does not suffer is to make of God an unfeeling monster in the face of so much suffering today. To think of God as separate from suffering would be just as erroneous as to think of Christ without the cross. It would be a suffering-free Christianity.

Jesus promises that those who follow him will experience suffering but he cheered up his disciples about suffering when he said; "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). When a Christian suffers, it is a participation in the suffering of God who offered His only begotten Son to suffer and die on the cross for the world. The cross of Christ enables the Christian to find life hidden under death and healing under suffering.

There is no freedom from suffering. When Jesus was faced with the suffering of others, as when Lazarus died, he lamented (John 11:35). When faced with his upcoming death in the garden of Gethsemane, he lamented and when faced with his own suffering on the cross, he cries out, " 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matt. 27:46).

Suffering is not merely something to be avoided or eliminated, as in our secular culture. It is not merely something to be overcome. Instead, it has the potential to transform us through the loving intervention of God into something that can benefit us. "In all things God works for the good of those who love him" (Romans 8:28).

For us Christians, suffering is not an illusion. The solution to suffering cannot be found inside of ourselves, but is found in God's loving provision of redemption through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus is the savior who can sympathize with suffering because of his own suffering; he is the model for how to suffer. Through following Jesus' example, suffering itself can be redeeming and transforming as God uses it to accomplish God's purposes in our lives. For sure, God will never give us more than we can handle.

You may email/send your faith questions to Fr. James and he would answer them in our Sunday Bulletins.

## Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Mass	Readings	Mass Intention
Mon Jul 24 9:00am– Mass	Exod 14:5-18; Matt. 12:38-42	
Tues Jul 25: 9:00am– Mass	2 Cor 4:7-15; Matt. 20:20-28	
Wed Jul 26: 9:00am– Mass	Sirach 44:1,8, 10-15; Matt 13:16-17	
Thurs Jul 27 9:00am– Mass	Exod 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Matthew 13:10-17	+Alfred Schropp by Rose Schropp & Family
Fri Jul 28: 9:00am– Mass	Exod 20:1-17; Mat 13:18-23	+Andy Tarr Jnr by Tarr Family
Sat Jul 29: 5:00 pm Mass	Exod 24:3-8 John 11:17-21 or Luke 10:38-42	+Joseph Hinks by Hinks Family
Sun Jul 30– 9:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. Mass 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Kings 3:5-12++ Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52	For all Parishioners +Alfred Schropp Rose Schropp & Family

## Parish Events & Meetings July 24– 30, 2017

Mon Jul 24	-
Tues Jul 25	-
Wed Jul 26	-
Thurs Jul 27	- There are no major parish events scheduled for these days.
Fri Jul 28	-
Sat Jul 29	5:00pm– Mass
Sun Jul 30	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

July 16, 2017

5pm - \$590.00  
9am - \$988.00  
10:30am - \$730.71  
**TOTAL:\$2,308.71**

*thank you*

## Upcoming Parish Events

- ♦ CatChat Vacation Bible School- July 31- August 4. From 12noon-4:00
- ♦ August 27, 2017- Grand Church Opening & Installation of Fr. James
- ♦ Music Rendezvous Sept. 10, 2017
- ♦ Paint Night-Sept. 22, 2017
- ♦ Kid's Consign/Buy Sale – Oct. 13 & 14
- ♦ Family Halloween Party – Sat. October 28.
- ♦ CWL Craft Sale on Nov 4th, 2017
- ♦ Trade Show – November 18



Come Celebrate  
Mass with us: August  
27, 2017 —Grand  
Church opening and  
Installation of Fr. James @ 10:30  
am Mass by Archbishop Don Bolen.

Old Fashioned Church Picnic - Noon to 3:00  
p.m. Visiting, Food, Games, memorabilia, family  
activities



We plan to have a plant sale. Soooo, while  
you are thinning-out perennials over  
summer, just pot them and have ready for  
the sale. Yes, another Fundraiser. If you  
have any individual yoghurt containers or  
other small containers....please bring to  
church.



### Memorial/Donation Fund ---

An opportunity to assist with our building renovation project. Anyone can donate, or a make donation in memory of a loved one. Names of donors of \$500.00 or more will be displayed on a tree in the gathering area of our church. Information letters with donation envelopes can be found at the information table or more information obtained by calling the office. Tax deductible receipt is issued. Until our "tree" is being designed and completed, and the gathering area finished, we are utilizing the bulletin. We have received donations in memory of Lylla Fahlman, Ed Rieger, Mervin Rieger and Albert Sentes. Donations have been received from Simon Hitcherick, Judy Rieger, Charles & Anne Gelowitz and Monica Fahlman. Our tree will display names only....donations in leaves and memorial donations in butterflies. To date \$9,000 has been achieved.

### YOUR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH—ELECTRONIC GIVING

-Quick and easy to make your parish donation!  
-It's a way to never have to worry about forgetting your donation envelope at home.  
-Sign up forms are available at the Information Desk or at the parish office, call the office for more info at 306-543-5355. \*\*Money comes from your bank account directly to the parish bank account on the second day of each month—hassle free!

### Annual Appeal

The Diocese has sent out an envelope of information, along with a donation form asking for your help thru monetary donations. Again these monetary donations assist with the many programs of the Archdiocese within our jurisdiction. Upon receiving your envelope, please read the information and note where help is needed. Please give generously towards this great cause. If you have questions of any kind, please give us a call, Antonette Rothecker @ 306-545-5397 or Parish Office 306-543-5355 and we will be happy to help you. Thank you for your most gracious support. May God Bless You All. -Antonette

**Save the Date - The Appeal Kickoff will be on Thursday, September 21, 2017. More details to follow - Bishop Don will be our guest speaker!**



Thanks to the May bingo workers....just received a cheque for \$1,194.30 for the three bingos. Our August dates are:  
Early - August 3, August 15th and August 31  
Late - August 6, and August 26  
If you can help any of these dates, please call the office or Anita at 306 543-0421.



We need volunteers to help with funerals. If you can help with baking call Donald @- 306-543-2728  
★ If you can help serve at funerals call Irene - 306 949-0642

### AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

July 25, 2017

#### TF45: The Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program - A Homily from Archbishop Don Bolen

This week we have a special treat for your summer enjoyment - a homily by our Archbishop Donald Bolen delivered on June 10th at the 34th graduation Mass for our Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program! As you may or may not recall, host Eric Gurash has been coordinating this program for the past two years. It's a program that seeks to give an answer to a great need, expressed by Pope Francis for "well-trained lay people animated by a sincere faith...whose life has been touched by the personal and merciful love of Jesus Christ." In this episode, Archbishop Donald speaks to us about the great, evangelizing mission of Christ that has been courageously taken up by this year's program graduates.

And if Archbishop Donald's homily has inspired you to find out how you might be a part of this movement of transformation

change within our Church, don't hesitate to contact show host

and program coordinator Eric Gurash about registering for our Fall intake at 306.352.1651 ext 211 or by emailing him at egurash@archregina.sk.ca.

Want to know more? Check out our Program page at; <https://archregina.sk.ca/LFE>

<http://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/tf45-the-archdiocese-of-regina-lay-formation-program-a-homily-from-archbishop-don-bolen>

#### Are you called to visit the sick, elderly or homebound?

"Ministry of Care Training" (sponsored by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina) is open to all faith communities. This one-day program is an introduction to those who would like to know more about being a Spiritual Care Visitor within a health care facility but also valuable for parish/church home and nursing home ministry. The workshop will occur Saturday, September 9, 2017 - please contact Karen Ziegler at 306-766-5991 or Susan Askin at 639-625-7092 for further information or for a registration form.

#### The Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program

##### Share the Joy of the Gospel!

"I'm more conscious that God is around me all the time. To know that He is everywhere with every person has helped me to step out of my comfort zone. Everyone has their little quirks and I see those as gifts or their own personal freedom of being who they are." - Becky Franke, St. John the Baptist Parish, Estevan. One weekend a month from October to June, Catholics just like you are gathering at Campion College in Regina as they become more deeply aware of God's personal love and activity in their lives. Why not make their story, your story? We are currently accepting applications for the Fall intake of this three-year program. For more information or to register, please contact our Program Coordinator, Eric Gurash at 306.325.1651 ext 211 or email him at egurash@archregina.sk.ca



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Member: Rick Perras  
Secretary: Anita Rieger  
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Mission Statement:  
Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we endeavor to build this community of Our Lady of Peace to a viable Christian Catholic Family, to which all are welcome.



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